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Filed: July 11, 2000 Docket: 10873.556US01
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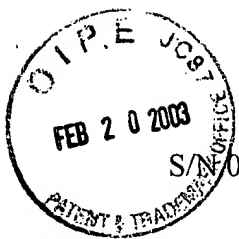
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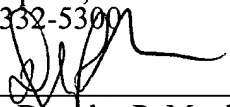
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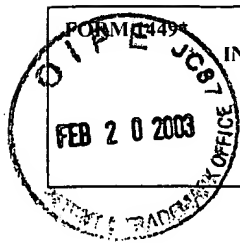
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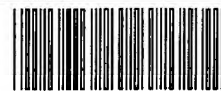
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